

## RICHIBUCTO NEWS

Personal and Local Happenings  
at the Shiretown of Kent  
County

April 11—The annual Easter meeting of the parishioners of St. Mary's church of England, was held last evening in the Chapel of Ease, Richibucto, the pastor, Rev. T. W. M. Bacon, presiding.

The financial reports were submitted and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: Wardens: Allan Haines and David Thompson; Vestrymen: Fred S. Sayre, Joseph Michaud, Leonard Haines, A. C. Aulvaux, Bernard Collier, R. H. Stewart, Bert Michaud, Bliss B. Stewart, Edward Lawton, Phineas Palmer; vestry clerk and treasurer, Fred S. Sayre; delegate to Synod, R. H. Stewart; substitute, A. C. Aulvaux; organist, R. H. Stewart.

The gift of a new lectern and Communion rail was reported as having been received at St. John's church, Buxton, and dedication service in connection therewith held, Easter Sunday evening. An interesting resolution was also passed, in which congratulations were extended to Warden Haines, upon having attained unto the age of four-score and two years; and expressing the appreciation of the parishioners for varied and valued services he had rendered the church for many years. The ladies of the congregation provided a dainty luncheon, which was much enjoyed and appreciated as was the music furnished by the Sunday school choir.

F. J. Robidoux, M. P., and Mrs. Robidoux came to town on Monday and remained for the Bean Supper on Wednesday evening, given by the Red Cross society, of which Mrs. Robidoux is president.

Richibucto Division, No. 42, Sons of Temperance, installed the following officers on Thursday evening: Alex Haines, W. P.; Miss Maud White, W. A.; Leslie Bell, R. S.; Miss Jenn Lawton, A. R. S.; Miss Margaret Ross, F. S.; R. W. Beers, Treasurer; Miss F. A. Calc, Chaplain; Miss George Lawton, Con.; Miss Nellie Ross, A. C.; Ralph Harnish, L. S.; Arthur Graham, O. S.; O. K. Black, P. W. P.

In addition to the ten day receipts already reported, \$2.35 came in from Kouchibouguet, from the sale of fifteen tags.

The Red Cross society at the last week's meeting voted \$50 to endow a bed in the Canadian hospital at Cliveden. To increase the funds which were well nigh exhausted, a bean supper was held on Wednesday evening, which netted about forty dollars.

J. D. MacMinn returned today from a visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. G. Lester Brown. His home-coming was delayed by a severe cold.

Mrs. William Murray went this week to Halifax to visit her sister, Allan McInerney of the Royal Bank staff, Newcastle, recently spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward McInerney.

Wilfred Flanagan returned last week from Moncton, where he had for a short time been undergoing treatment in the hospital.

Miss Lila Irwin has returned from a few weeks' visit to Truro, N. S. Jules Girouard, of Moncton, came last week to take the position of station agent here.

Madeline Robichaud who has for the past three years been in New Bedford, Mass., came last week to visit at her home in St. Charles.

Miss Eliza Babineau and Miss Eva Babineau, teachers, are spending the vacation at their home in St. Louis. Misses Regina and Lucy Richard, teachers, are also spending vacation at their home in St. Louis.

## Newcastle Men Enlist

Messrs. Bert Irving and Walter Maltby are two more of Newcastle's young men to enlist for active service, the former joining the Medical Corps, and the latter the 28th Field Battery. They left Monday for Fredericton.

## LET ME EXPLAIN

Treat Every Child's Cold Externally  
Rub on "Nerviline"—A Safe CureA Miracle of Healing Power  
in Every Bottle

Little children can't be expected to romp, play in and day out, without sometime coming to grief. Some of their games and rough and tumble, cause undue fatigue, and not frequently the kiddies are bruised, have strains, swellings and aches just like their elders.

When children come in tired and sore, see they are well rubbed with Nerviline. It does wonders in breaking up a cold—has an amazing effect on any sort of muscular pain.

The wise mother always keeps trusty old Nerviline on hand. It has

Kitchener Calls  
Second ContingentPremier Borden Announces Call  
for More Canadian Soldiers

Ottawa, April 11—Kitchener's call has come. The eager men of Canada's Second Expeditionary Force will go forward at an unrevealed date in the early future to join their comrades of the First Contingent at the front. This date was approximately determined by the head of the British War Office nearly two months ago. Since that time he has been in constant communication with Canada's minister of Militia. Now the definite summons has been received.

Three months ago Lord Kitchener was notified that the troops were ready to depart at any moment when they might be required. Since that time the War Office has been kept fully informed of its training and has, from time to time made suggestions, which have "been followed with absolute precision."

The reasons that the War Office did not summon the troops earlier were reasons which commended themselves to the head of the War Office, and reasons which are generally recognized. Other essentials had also to be taken into account. The enormous number of men now under training in Britain made it not the easiest task to provide for accommodations and training the various contingents of the overseas dominions. "The War Office, and particularly Lord Kitchener himself are thoroughly anxious that when the Second Contingent of the Canadian Expeditionary Force goes forward there will be no room for possible criticism."

Such was the announcement of Premier Borden to parliament on Saturday night's sitting. Sir Robert Borden entered the house with the Minister of Militia. He rose almost at once to make his statement. Time

and again during its progress he was interrupted by applause from both sides of the house, cheers which were as heartily revived when Hon. Frank Oliver, who was momentarily lending the Liberal opposition, rose to express the sentiment of the minority. "We Canadians are not outsiders in this fight," said Mr. Oliver. "It is our fight, too. This is not only a fight to preserve the neutrality of Belgium, but to preserve the British Empire, and all it stands for."

Only in the months to come will we be able to realize the sacrifice it will be necessary for us to make. But we all stand earnestly prepared to face whatever may come, with a courage and devotion that will ultimately bring victory."

## W. C. T. U.

The subject on the programme for discussion at the meeting on Thursday, was "narcotics," especially the cigarette. The question asked first was: "What is the law regarding the sale to and use by minors? The second "Why this law?"

In answer to the first the law was read by one of the members, and was found to be very stringent indeed, the seller being liable to a fine of from \$25.00 up to \$100.00.

The law is also very strict in regard to the minor (anyone under 16) who buys or uses them. All this seems to point to some very strong reason for the framing of such a law. Among the many reasons given, it was found that it led not only to a disinclination to study but to inaptitude as well, and that boys who smoked cigarettes made the poorest scholars; that boys looking for employment, in large cities especially, were asked to show their hands, and if the cigarette sign was there, they were told they were not wanted.

One bad effect of narcotics of any kind is that from their use a craving for strong drink is acquired. Parents who love their children and want to see them grow up big and strong and good should, before it is too late, kindly but firmly, warn them of the consequences of indulging in this harmful practice, and also see that the law is rigidly enforced and so guard other boys.

Fund Executive  
Monthly MeetingPatriotic Fund Subscriptions Now  
Total \$2,520.52—Monthly  
Budget \$300

The Newcastle Patriotic Fund executive held their regular monthly meeting Wednesday afternoon. Mayor Morrissey presiding. Others present were Councillor G. P. Burdill, President W. J. Copp of the Trout Brook Fund, Treasurer W. J. Jardine, Revs. W. J. Bate, P. W. Dixon, Wm. Harrison, S. J. MacArthur and M. S. Richardson, Messrs. J. D. Creaghan, David Ritchie, W. A. Park and the secretary.

A large number of cases needing relief were disposed of. The monthly budget is now about \$300. The treasurer reported that subscriptions to date received by him totalled \$2,520.52 of which all but \$15 was paid up.

The Treasurer and Rev. S. J. MacArthur were authorized to sign the monthly disbursement sheets.

W. J. Copp reported that a rousing patriotic meeting had been held in Trout Brook the night before. With parts of the Trout Brook, Seaville, Wayerton, Protectionville district to hear from, \$106 had been collected to date. North Esk has two other sub-districts: Widneyville—Allison—Strathadam—Protectionville, and Exmore.

The secretary read a communication from Chatham Patriotic Fund. Chatham agreed to the rectification of the boundaries of Chatham and Newcastle districts, so as to include Rogersville parish and all the rest of the county east of the Brown and Bathurst roads in Chatham, and all west of Rogersville and those two roads in Newcastle district.

TROUT BROOK  
CONTRIBUTIONS

The people of Trout Brook and vicinity are contributing to the Canadian Patriotic Fund in a very creditable manner, and is sure setting an example to other parishes. Mr. W. J. Jardine, treasurer, acknowledges receipt of the following subscriptions to the Canadian Patriotic Fund from the Trout Brook Parish of North Esk:

Wm. Hosford, Jr.	\$1.00
Jos. Hosford, Jr.	5.00
Percy Hosford	5.00
Jos. Hosford, Sr.	1.00
Miss Christie Cain	1.00
Ritchie Allison	1.00
Burton Johnston	1.00
Miss Ema Lumsden	.25
Mrs. R. Lumsden	.25
James Street	.25
Amos Stuart	5.00
John Stuart	1.00
Mrs. Wm. Wray	1.00
Charles Wray	1.00
Miss Minnie Wray	.25
Arlene Stuart	1.00
Mrs. Albert McCombs	.50
Mrs. Stanley Hosford	.55
Merk Mullin	1.00
Jos. Shaddick	.25
Harvey Shaddick	1.00
William Shaddick	.25
Johnnie Shaddick	.25
Melvin Fair	1.00
Howard Copp	1.00
Mrs. Ned Wayne	2.00
Maggie Wayne	2.00
Wm. Cain	2.00
Mrs. G. Esty	.50
Mrs. Jos. Esty	.50
George Esty	1.00
Hollis Peabody	5.00
Murdoch Hare	1.00
Irvin Harris	1.00
Mrs. J. Whitney	.50
Albert Esty	.50
Daniel O'Shea	1.00
Peter O'Shea	1.00
Jeremiah O'Shea	1.00
Jeremiah Copp	5.00
Mrs. Hiram Harris	1.00
Mrs. J. Hare	.25
Cuthbert Whitney	1.00
Alex. Hare	.25
Wm. Crow	2.00
Hugh Curtis	1.00
Herbert Fair	2.00
Stephen Norton	2.00
Wm. Hosford	5.00
Charles Fair	2.00
John Copp	5.00
Wm. Dunnett	5.00
Harvey Way	1.00
Allan Shaddick	5.00
Miss Alice Shaddick	1.00
Kiah Copp	3.00
M. O'Shaughnessy	10.00
Hiram Harris	5.00
Chas. Harris	1.00

\$106.05  
The above amount, from this parish, is a creditable one, and the generous donors are to be commended for the hearty support they are giving this worthy cause.

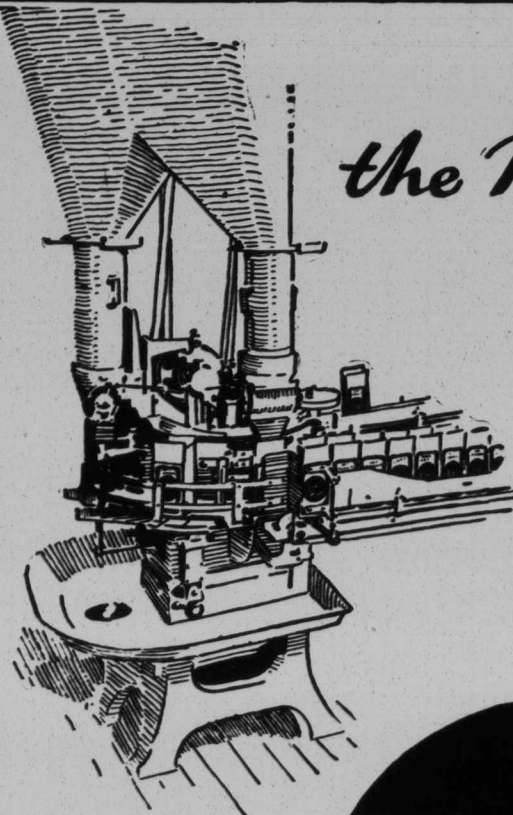
The river is clear above the bridge and along the south side to the ferry landing.

Send in local items.

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The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*

The St. John river is now clear of solid ice below Grand Falls.

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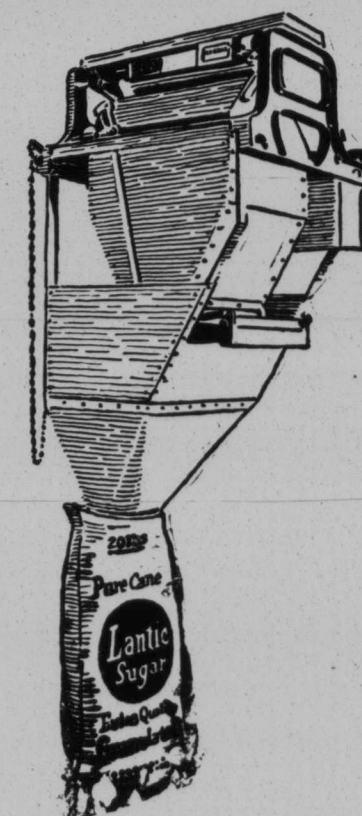
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Belgian Relief Ship  
Torpedoed or SunkWas on Return Voyage and  
Twenty-six of Crew Believed  
Lost

Rotterdam, April 11, via London—The British steamer Harpaluce, the first relief boat of New York State, and under charter to the Commission for Relief in Belgium, has either been torpedoed or sunk by a mine in the North Sea.

The Dutch steamer Elizabeth, on its voyage from Rotterdam for New York on Saturday, picked up twenty-two of the crew of the Harpaluce, seven miles northeast of Noordhinder Lightship and brought them back to Rotterdam. The Dutch steamer Constance Catherine picked up five men and took them to Nieuwe Waterweg. The steamer carried a crew of fifty-three men, twenty-six of whom it is feared, have been drowned. Those rescued by the Elizabeth include the second mate and second engineer, the latter in a wounded condition.

The Harpaluce, under its charter to the Belgian Relief Commission, had a permit securing immunity from attack.

The Harpaluce, 3,691 tons, was a comparatively new steamer, owned by J. & C. Harrison, of London. She sailed from New York on March 7 with more than eleven thousand individual gifts for the relief of the Belgians, and arrived at Rotterdam on March 30. It is presumed that the Harpaluce was on her return voyage.

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Immense French Army  
Driving Against EnemyFurious Assaults Being Launched  
to Cut off Germans at St.  
Mihel

Paris, April 10—The biggest French army that has yet been concentrated at any given point on the battlefield is massed in the Argonne forest and the Woivre district (between the Meuse and Moselle rivers) where, despite extremely heavy losses, the French are driving against the German positions in repeated assaults.

These furious onslaughts, which are being carried out under the personal direction of General Joffre, are expected to cut off the German forces at St. Mihel. The French capture of Epargne, about ten miles southeast of Verdun, is the hardest blow yet struck at the St. Mihel-Metz line of communications. It is impossible to estimate exactly the German losses, but in the fighting of the last two days and nights in the Woivre, the Germans must have lost at least 3,000 in killed and wounded, not counting prisoners.

In addition to infantry and artillery attacks against the Germans, the French have sent a whole fleet of aeroplanes from the Belfort aviation camp to bombard the German artillery positions from the sky. The work of the French troops in storming the German positions and repelling German counter attacks, is described as brilliant. In one night near Flirey, fifteen German attacks were repulsed.

Rome (via Paris), April 13—An order is printed in the Military Journal directing all army officers to dull the metal on their uniforms and the scarabards of their swords. This is a measure which usually is adopted on the eve of war.

Geo. N. Babbitt  
Died SuddenlyVeteran Provincial Employee  
Dropped Dead in His  
Office Saturday

Fredericton, Apr. 10—Mr. George N. Babbitt, I. S. O., for more than fifty years the Deputy Receiver General of New Brunswick, dropped dead in his office at the Provincial Buildings about 2.30 o'clock this afternoon. Nothing of a more startling nature could have occurred than the sudden passing away of the oldest employee in the provincial civil service, who had apparently been enjoying his usual good health and was as vigorous as ever. Mr. Babbitt had spent practically his entire life time in the provincial service, having been 59 years in the government employ.

For the past thirty-odd years he had been Deputy Receiver General and Deputy Provincial Treasurer. Some years ago his faithful services were rewarded by his being granted the Imperial Service Order medal.

Cut to Pieces by  
Train at SussexWm. Ashe, of Markhamville,  
Struck by Engine While  
Crossing Track

Sussex, N. B., April 8—Wm. Ashe, aged about 38 years, a resident of Markhamville, was struck by the engine of No. 1 train tonight and instantly killed. The train which was in charge of Conductor James Cole, with Driver James Moody at the throttle of the engine, was running into the station on time at 7.40 o'clock, and when at the Main street crossing the deceased attempted to

cross the track. The engine struck him and he was thrown under the wheels which ground his body almost into pulp. The head was severed from the body and down to the hips was crushed and mutilated beyond all recognition. Parts of the body were strewn in different directions and the sight which greeted the eyes of those the first on the scene of the accident was of the most horrible nature.

Coroner F. W. Wallace was summoned and the remains of the unfortunate victim were gathered up and placed on a stretcher and taken to the morgue. A coroner's jury was summoned and sworn in and after viewing the remains adjourned to 1 o'clock tomorrow when the inquest will be resumed. The remains were identified by a receipt found in his pocketbook, of a bill which he had paid a short time before the accident at the Sussex Mercantile Company.

The deceased, who is survived by his mother, one brother and a sister, worked in the lumber woods, was a prominent member of the Orange Order and had many friends throughout the county. The tragedy was witnessed by several people and the impression conveyed by them is that the victim of the sad occurrence saw the train coming toward him and became confused when he attempted to turn back but was too late in doing so. He was dragged some thirty or forty feet before being thrown from under the wheels of the locomotive.

The victim of the unfortunate accident had many friends in Sussex and his untimely death has cast a gloom over the entire community. Witnesses of the accident say that the train in approaching the crossing gave the usual notice of her approach with whistle and bell and was running in at the ordinary rate of speed.

Less interest is being shown this civic election than for some time.